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US Acute Care Solutions is a physician-owned company representing emergency physicians and advanced practice providers who treat almost six million patients annually – regardless of their ability to pay – in approximately 220 emergency departments in 21 states. We believe that no patient should ever receive a surprise medical bill, and that is why we have worked hard to reach agreements with insurers, so a vast majority of our encounters are in-network. In 2018, we also treated over 800,000 individuals who had no insurance, and almost 1,800,000 Medicaid beneficiaries.

We support bipartisan legislation to protect patients. As Congress considers solutions, it is important that lawmakers fully understand how the millions of patients we serve each year will be affected by the proposed frameworks. Any solution to protect patients from surprise bills must also incentivize all providers and insurers to negotiate in good faith to increase the number of in-network providers and ensure patients' continued access to quality medical care. We look forward to working with our health plan partners on constructive solutions to reduce overall healthcare costs while maintaining access to high quality care.